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There is a new business at the edge of Vanceboro. Azalea Mobile Homes of N.C. Inc. has located on Highway 17 South on the lot formerly occupied by Vanceboro Motors. Walter Speight is the local manager. See next week's Highlights for details on an exciting weekend for the area sponsored by this new business.

Craven County Kicks Off 400th Anniversary Celebration



In a rain threatening setting, the Craven County 400th celebration got underway as chairman of Tryon Palace Commission Robert Stallings welcomed the British Delegation from Plymouth, England to Craven County and introduced the Mayor of New Bern, Paul Cox. Mayor Cox gave words of welcome and made presentations to the Mayor of Plymouth, Mr. Peter Whitfield, and chairman of Devon County Council, Mr. George E. H. Creber. In turn Mayor Cox was presented a plaque and set of cuff links from Mayor Whitfield.

After the formal ceremonies, a picnic was served to the guests on the grounds of the Jones' House

The British Delegation was from Plymouth, England, a large sea port city of 258,000 people, home of the Royal Marines, and 16 American manufacturers, plus many British manufacturers
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Mrs. Mattie Pollock, Class of '54 Fifth Grade teacher, and Mrs. Colvin Joyner, Class of '54 Business Teacher, remember the good times they had teaching these fine people at Jasper High school. (See story and pictures on page 10).

Music In The Park

Come join the band—The 2d Marine Airwing Band, that is at a free concert in Bicentennial Park on July 26, at 7 p.m. Bring along a picnic supper, blanket or lawn chairs and enjoy an evening of musical entertainment to satisfy the tastes of all music lovers.

Since late November 1775, when a few Continental Marines marched to the cadence of fifes and drums, march music and Marine Bands have been an integral part of the Marine Corps. Today, the 34-member band is composed of not only some of the finest musicians in the field of music, but also of artful performers of classical and contemporary compositions. The 2d Marine Aircraft Wing Band was organized in 1943 and has claimed nearby Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, as its home since 1946. The band has performed in 28 states, as well as overseas. They have represented the Marine Corps in nationally known celebrations and parades, such as Mardi Gras, the Cotton Bowl, Kentucky Derby, Indy 500, Pro Bowl Hall of Fame, and others.

So pull out the picnic basket and blanket and join the band for a memorable evening of Music-in-The-Park on Thursday, July 26 from 7-8:30 p.m.

This program is required credit partially funded by a Grassroots Grant from the North Carolina Arts Council and is sponsored by the Craven Arts Council and Gallery, Inc. and the City and County Recreation Departments.

Look for more details soon on the upcoming August 26 Music-in-the-Park Reggae Concert with Mickey Mills and Steel Band.

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G. Patrick Forbis

New Officer Sworn In

G. Patrick Forbis was sworn in as a full line law enforcement officer in the Vanceboro Police Department last week by Vanceboro Town Clerk Carol Ipock. Officer Forbis is a very welcomed addition to the department according to Chief Billy Jewel. Chief Jewel has been seeking additional help in the department for the past two years.

Officer Forbis is also a third year student in East Carolina University's Criminal Justice Department. His major area of concentration is law enforcement.

Law enforcement is not new to Officer Forbis because his father has been in the business for the past 30 years and law enforcement has been a topic of discussion in their Fayetteville household over the years.

When asked how did he choose Vanceboro as the place to get his experience in law enforcement, he replied, "I have relatives in the area and I came down visiting and became acquainted with Chief Jewel and here I am."

Officer Forbis feels the practical experience will be of great value in his future education at ECU. He wants to relate the experience to his studies.

He will be attending Basic Law Enforcement Certification in Jacksonville, N.C. from July 30 until September 7.

Join with the citizens in welcoming this young man to our community.